

**Request
For
Continued Examination (RCE)
Transmittal**

Submission (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995. See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Mail to: *Attention: Office of Petitions*
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Application Number	10/685,240
Filing Date	October 14, 2003
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Group Art Unit	2856
Examiner Name	R. Miller
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Note: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes of Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114
 - a. Previously submitted
 - i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
 - ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
 - iii. Other
 - b. Enclosed
 - i. Amendment/Reply
 - ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) (with references included as necessary)
 - iv. Other Petition to Withdraw Application From Issue Under 37 C.F.R. 1.313(c)(2)
2. Miscellaneous
 - a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
 - b. Other _____
3. Fees (The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed)
 - a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 11-0982. Deposit Account Name: Kinney & Lange, P.A.
 - i. RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) - \$790.00
 - ii. Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
 - iii. Other Petition Fee required under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(h) - \$130.00
 - b. Check in the amount of \$ enclosed

(Total fees to be charged: \$920.00)

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